

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT : Joseph DA CRUZ  
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GROUP ART UNIT : 3732  
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**RESPONSE TO APRIL 14, 2009, OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated April 14, 2009, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

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